## Certification of the Post-Election Audit of the March 17, 2020 Primary Election

#### I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Ray Lembke called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Deputy Director Dennison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### II. Roll Call

Ray Lembke - Chair - Yes

Rick Combs – Yes

Gregg Conrad – Yes

Richard Grant - Yes

Also present were Director Julia Carney, Deputy Director Chris Dennison and Becky Rudd – Clerk taking record.

## III. Motion to Adopt the Agenda as Presented

**2020-82**– Mr. Combs made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Grant seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Grant – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

#### IV. Other Attendees – none

# V. Motion to approve the results of the Post-Election Audit per Advisory 2020-1 and provide reporting forms to the Ohio Secretary of State

Director Carney explained to the board, when filling out the Secretary of State audit forms she discovered only one random draw of the precincts should have been the done for both the Democrat race and the Republican races. We used the precincts drawn originally for the Democrat race, and the Republican votes met the 5% threshold. The audit went smooth and the numbers matched 100%. One question on the form referred to security seals matching on April 28, we did not use the seals because our ballots were double locked in the absentee ballot room. Another problem was with the chain of custody form, six out of nine were not properly completed, we will work with those that were not in compliance. We had no observers.

2020-83 – Mr. Conrad made the motion to approve the results of the Post-Election Audit of the March 17, 2020 Primary Election. Mr. Grant seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs - Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Grant – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

#### VI. Re-opening the office of the Board of Elections to the public

Mr. Combs noticed that some of the county offices are beginning to open and wondered what we want to do in this office. Some offices only allow the person doing business in the office. Perhaps we can draft something that works for us. Wade Grabowski is working on a security counter. Other offices have a more physical security. Perhaps we need cameras and could buzz people in. Chairman Lembke added that the office public space is small and how can we maintain social distancing. The Director stated that we do have security money to spend; we can look into cameras and a buzz in for the door. Another problem is having a public bathroom. We have a camera system that needs to be installed but we were waiting on the counter to be completed first.

The board signed the official audit reports for the Secretary of State.

Director Carney stated HB 680 would increase the deadline to request an absentee ballot to the Tuesday before the election instead of Saturday; also, they will be sending absentee ballot applications to all registered voters.

Mr. Conrad thinks we need to debrief this last election and the Director stated we will at the next meeting.

Mr. Grant stated at the last meeting we had a last minute add on to discuss doing something for the employees. He is uncomfortable doing that without the direction from the Director and would like to try to limit any of these last minute add-ons until we have a chance to at least talk about them and think about them and don't want to put any of us in light of the fact that we don't appreciate the staff or the job that is being done by having a vote that you're uncomfortable with. I voted for it that measure that was fine, but I am not comfortable doing that in the future.

### VII. Upcoming events and meeting dates

June 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. – Monthly Board Meeting July 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. – Monthly Board Meeting

### VIII. Motion to adjourn

2020-84 – At 10:25 a.m., Mr. Grant made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs - Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Grant – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

Raymond W. Lembke - Board Chairman

Rick W. Combs - Board Member

Gregg L. Conrad – Board Member

Rick Grant - Board Member

Date 6-23-2020